

## **Interim Exception for the Use of Camelina Meal in Feed**

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The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has provided further clarification to states regarding the limited use of *Camelina sativa* oilseed meal as a commercial feed ingredient. Although FDA prefers a written request for distribution of camelina meal, states may approve the limited use of camelina meal for intrastate commerce.

Accordingly, the Montana Department of Agriculture sets the following as the conditions for distribution of *Camelina sativa* oilseed meal as a feed ingredient in Montana.

- 1) companies must inform the department of the intent to distribute camelina meal for use as a feed or feed ingredient;
- 2) companies must obtain a commercial feed license from the department prior to manufacturing or distributing camelina meal;
- 3) companies must properly label any product containing camelina meal as a feed ingredient to direct that the feeding is limited to beef cattle and growing swine at no more than 2 percent of the final ration; and
- 4) a livestock nutritionist is consulted to assist in the formulation of diets containing camelina meal.

For assistance in meeting Montana labeling requirements, contact Bob Church at (406) 444-5410 or [bchurch@mt.gov](mailto:bchurch@mt.gov). The department advises companies who wish to distribute camelina meal in a state other than Montana to contact that state's feed control official. If a company wishes to distribute camelina meal in interstate commerce, contact Dr. John McCurdy, Division of Animal Feeds, CVM, FDA at (240) 453-6852 or [john.mccurdy@fda.hhs.gov](mailto:john.mccurdy@fda.hhs.gov).